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Applicant: Shinji YAMAMOTO et al.
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 29, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicants submit herewith a petition for extension of time for two-months with appropriate fee making this Amendment and Reply timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 19 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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